

# ARKANSAS

## WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



**\* Planting Corn/Sorghum/and Fertilizing Pastures**

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**RELEASED:** April 22, 2002 3:00 p.m.- Temperatures were above normal for the week with the rainfall lacking compared to normal rainfall during the week, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Field preparations and planting activities are in full swing as fields continue to dry. 5.6 days suitable for fieldwork. Soil moisture supplies were 0 percent very short, 6 percent short, 80 percent adequate and 14 percent surplus.

**CROPS:** Planting corn, sorghum, rice, soybeans, and cotton. Fertilizer is being applied to wheat, hay and pastures. Field preparation continues as some fields need more drying. Except for corn row crop planting has caught with 5 year averages.. Commercial tomatoes are mostly planted and peach trees are being sprayed.

**LIVESTOCK:** Cattle producers were working and vaccinating cattle while discontinuing to feed hay. Cattle were in good condition with calves being weaned. Pastures are being fertilized and other weed control measures being applied.

### Crop Progress and Conditions

Progress %					Condition %				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
SORGHUM									
Planted	51	18	59	34					
Emerged	18	0	10	8					
CORN									
Planted	60	40	91	81					
Emerged	35	14	43	29					
COTTON									
Planted	6	0	2	2					
RICE									
Planted	41	10	53	33					
Emerged	12	0	12	5					
SOYBEANS									
Planted	6	2	9	6					
WHEAT					3	15	34	42	6
Headed	37	2	29	52					
OTH. HAY					1	2	31	59	7
PASTURE					1	2	25	61	11

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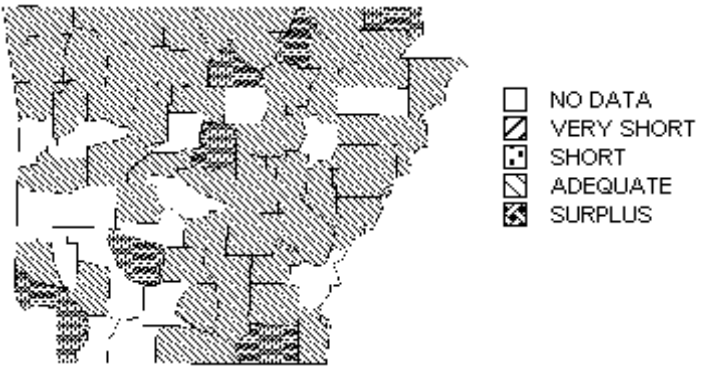
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SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

April 21, 2002. Temperatures were much above normal for the week, but rainfall was lacking. Hot Springs and North Little Rock recorded the high temperature of 91<sup>o</sup> and Hot Springs recorded the low temperature of 35<sup>o</sup>. Precipitation ranged from a high of 0.91 inch at Mena and a low of 0.00 inch at several reporting stations.



TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: April 21, 2002

DISTRICT  AND  STATION	TEMPERATURES			RAINFALL				
	HIGH	LOW	DEPARTURE  FROM  NORMAL	WEEK  ENDING  APR 21	CURRENT  APR  ACCUM.	APR  NORMAL	JANUARY-MARCH	
							2002	NORMAL
1 Fayetteville	84	56	13	0.35	5.28	4.33	10.23	8.72
Harrison	86	62	15	0.63	6.81	4.09	11.85	9.51
2 Calico Rock	89	55	15	0.75	3.16	4.36	19.64	10.43
Greers Ferry	88	60	13	0.05	1.92	5.02	16.62	11.94
Mountain Home	87	58	16	0.40	4.16	4.13	18.13	10.22
3 Batesville	85	59	15	0.00	2.05	4.76	15.06	11.10
Jonesboro	87	64	13	0.00	1.54	4.99	14.72	11.30
Keiser	89	64	17	0.00	0.12	4.90	17.32	12.34
Newport	88	65	14	0.03	1.12	5.01	14.84	11.63
4 Booneville	87	58	11	0.30	4.58	4.32	18.53	10.38
Clarksville	88	59	14	0.49	3.95	4.48	19.85	10.20
Dardanelle	87	61	13	0.23	3.26	4.24	15.59	10.94
Ft. Smith	87	61	12	0.35	7.52	3.91	17.03	8.90
Mena	82	58	12	0.91	4.67	5.20	17.28	12.13
Ozark	83	58	11	0.88	6.50	3.63	21.04	10.03
5 Conway	87	60	12	0.25	0.94	5.00	18.28	11.20
Hot Springs	91	35	9	0.49	1.47	5.31	16.91	12.94
Little Rock	87	61	13	0.18	0.90	5.47	15.37	11.82
N Little Rock	91	62	14	0.10	0.96	5.03	15.58	11.52
6 Brinkley	86	62	15	0.02	0.26	5.19	16.64	12.45
Marianna	87	62	14	0.00	0.15	5.30	16.67	13.62
Stuttgart	88	60	13	0.15	0.43	5.29	17.20	12.31
7 Hope	85	60	12	0.74	2.61	4.89	17.26	13.12
Texarkana	85	63	11	0.47	3.42	3.95	14.15	10.97
8 Camden	89	64	14	0.25	1.25	4.63	11.29	13.82
El Dorado	88	63	12	0.06	2.94	4.55	13.80	14.32
Warren	85	64	13	0.13	1.35	5.13	14.79	15.48
9 Eudora	89	63	12	0.02	2.90	6.15	21.13	16.72
Pine Bluff	89	62	12	0.05	0.40	5.14	19.20	13.29
Rohwer	85	63	13	0.01	0.90	5.07	16.85	14.61